

Hampton Police Division Media Release

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For Immediate Release

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Suspicious Package: 1100 Block of Big Bethel Road

On April 6, 2014 at 6:20 p.m., Public Safety Communications received a complaint from a concerned citizen in reference to a suspicious package in the parking lot of the Hampton Woods Plaza Shopping Center which is located in the 1100 block of Big Bethel Road. Upon officers' arrival, they located a safe that was unattended. As a precautionary measure the Hampton Fire and Rescue Division responded and asked for assistance from the Newport News Bomb Squad. Three businesses were evacuated while the package was being investigated. After being unable to locate the owner or determine what the safe contained the Newport News Bomb Squad detonated the safe as a precaution. Afterwards, it was determined that the safe did not contain anything of a criminal nature. The businesses and parking lot were permitted to reopen after the scene was ruled safe for the public.

Sergeant Jason Price will receive questions about this release at 757-727-6638.

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